

Town of North Smithfield  
**Historic District Commission**

Minutes of January 27, 2014

A meeting of the North Smithfield Historic District Commission was held on  
Monday, January 27, 2014  
at 6:30 PM  
Heritage Hall, 101 Greene St. Street, Slatersville, RI

**Call to order:** 6:41

**Members Present:** Gwen Cunningham, Christian de Rezendes,  
Jeffrey Fontaine, Jeffrey Harris, Elizabeth Martin, Eric Piette

**Members Absent:** : Daniel Couture

**Materials Distributed:** Agenda, Minutes

**Approval of Minutes from December 16, 2013**

Minutes from the December 16 meeting was unanimously approved.

**Applications**

- A. Certificate of Appropriateness: 14 Greene St., Slatersville, Slatersville  
Historic District.  
Owners: Sean and Gwen Cunningham

Work consists of stripping and reshingling main house roof with in-kind shingles.

Gwen Cunningham abstained from voting as she is the applicant. Jeffrey  
Fontaine abstained from voting as he is Ms. Cunningham's real estate representative.

It was determined that the Repairs/Replacement specified above are essentially  
an "in-kind" replacement (asphalt for 50 year asphalt shingles) and are  
appropriate and congruous. Approval for the application as submitted, and a  
Certificate of Appropriateness was granted.

Motion to approve: Elizabeth Martin

Seconded: Jeffrey Harris

Abstained: Gwen Cunningham, Jeffrey Fontaine

Voted Yes: Christian de Rezendes, Jeffrey Harris, Elizabeth Martin, Eric Piette

Opposed: None

**Communications**

**Old Business**

A. Status Update:

- . Proposed informational letter to all property owners within the Union Village &  
Slatersville Historic Districts- Pending grant funding for brochure (see NSHDC S&G  
subcommittee)

## **New Business**

### **A. Annual Nomination and Election Of Officers: Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary**

1. Chairperson: Jeffrey Harris  
Motion to approve: Elizabeth Martin  
Seconded: All in favor.  
Opposed: None
2. Vice- Chairperson: Jeffrey Fontaine  
Motion to approve: Elizabeth Martin  
Seconded: All in favor.  
Opposed: None
3. Secretary: Elizabeth Martin  
Motion to approve: Jeff Harris  
Seconded: All in favor.  
Opposed: None

### **B. Review of operating procedures for new meeting space**

Both Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson will have keys to space. Heater to be turned down to 50 degrees upon leaving.

## **Subcommittee Reports:**

### **A. Subcommittee: Union Village Historic District Research Committee**

1. Finalize Documentation.  
Dan C. and Elizabeth M. to continue review of historic district property folders located in Building Inspector's Office at Annex.

### **B. Subcommittee Report: Rhode Island Historic Preservation and Heritage Commission for Certified Local Government Grant(NSHDC CLG Grant Committee).**

1. Jeffrey Fontaine to create a priorities list.
2. Christian de Rezendes to assemble list of potential grant sources.
2. By end of 2014 complete an application requesting grant monies for master plan for Forestdale school house.
3. Master plan includes engaging an architect to produce a budget and corresponding plan to preserve building and contents therein- archiving.

### **C. Subcommittee Report : North Smithfield Historic District Commission Standards and Guidelines (NSHDC S&G Committee):**

1. Complete brochure.
2. Submit grant application for CLG grants to fund brochure's publication.

## **Meeting Adjourned**

The meeting was called to a close at 7:48

Motion Jeff Harris

Seconded Jeff Fontaine

All in favor

Opposed: None

Next Meeting: Monday, February 24 , 2014